

CHAPTER NO. 676

HOUSE BILL NO. 494

By Representative DuBois

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1062

By Senators Ketron, Tracy, Burks, Bowers, Person, Finney

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 6, relative to orders of protection.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-605, is amended by adding the following language as new subsection (d):

(d) Within the time such order of protection is in effect, any court of competent jurisdiction may modify the order of protection. The court shall cause a copy of the petition and notice of the date set for the hearing on such petition to be served upon the respondent as provided in subsection (c) of this section. Such notice shall advise the respondent that the respondent may be represented by counsel. If the respondent is found to be in violation of the order, the court may extend the order of protection up to five (5) years. If the respondent is found to be in a second or subsequent violation of the order, the court may extend the order of protection up to ten (10) years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 4, 2006


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 15th day of May 2006


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR